

## Regional Service Council Minutes Region # 7

Meeting Date: April 7, 2006

Meeting Location: Blackford County Courthouse Annex, Hartford

City, IN.

**Council Members Present**: Judge Bade, Judge Dailey, Betty Lyons, Steve Cox, Chuck Osterholt, George Herman, Pat Ergle, Deb McGriff-Tharp, Marilyn Scales

**Council Members Absent**: Judge Hutchison and Harriet Weekly

**Others In Attendance**: Connie Harmon and Deana Reece from Whites Service Programs

## **Meeting Minutes**

## **Meeting Called to Order at:**

- 1. 2006 DCS Legislation updates were presented by M Scales. Copies of SEA 132,139, and 153 were sent to the Council members by e-mail prior to the meeting. The Judges acknowledged the changes and the impact on the Courts and DCS offices. Refer to Handouts.
- 2. DCS Practice Principles and measurements were handed out and M Scales provided a review of the Pilots and their goals. The DCS Newsletter, Making a World of Difference, was given to all in attendance. Refer to Handouts.
- 3. A Program Services Summary sheet was handed out and reviewed with Council members. This sheet described services (a) through (y) and which counties currently had the services available. Refer to Handout.
- 4. Increases in the Foster Care per diems were reviewed. Refer to Handout.
- 5. Service Standards for Community Partners for Child Safety, Home-Based Intensive Family Preservation and Reunification Services were discussed with a planned continued discussion at the May meeting. Refer to Handouts.

**Next Meeting Date, Location and Time**: May 12, 2006 at 1:00 PM. Same location.

**Meeting Adjourned at**: 2:15 PM